

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 3900

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served March 13, 1992

Application of SAFAI MANAGEMENT)
COMPANY, INC., Trading as PARA-MED)
WHEELCHAIR TRANSPORTATION, for a)
Certificate of Authority --)
Irregular Route Operations)

Case No. AP-92-09

By application filed March 5, 1992, Safai Management Company, Inc., trading as Para-Med Wheelchair Transportation (SMCI or applicant), a Maryland corporation, seeks a Certificate of Authority to transport passengers, together with baggage in the same vehicles as passengers, in irregular route operations between points in the Metropolitan District, restricted to transportation in vehicles with a manufacturer's designed seating capacity of 15 or fewer persons, including the driver.

SMCI proposes to conduct operations in five owned vehicles, one of which it owns now. SMCI proposes to transport senior citizens and Medicaid passengers to and from medical facilities. SMCI's proposed tariff contains a schedule of per-capita rates for Medicaid passengers as permitted by the Montgomery County, MD Paratransit System and a separate schedule of per-capita rates for private (non-Medicaid) passengers.

SMCI's application includes information regarding, among other things, its corporate status, facilities, vehicle maintenance arrangements, driver training practices, proposed tariff, finances, and regulatory compliance record. The application is available for inspection at the office of the Commission during its regular business hours.

In determining whether to grant or deny an application for a Certificate of Authority, the Compact at Title II, Article XI, Section 7 requires that the Commission determine whether an applicant is fit, willing, and able to perform that transportation properly and conform to the provisions of the Compact and the Commission's rules, regulations, and requirements and that the transportation is consistent with the public interest. Pursuant to Commission Rule No. 6, this order and fulfillment of its requirements will provide notice of SMCI's application for a Certificate of Authority.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

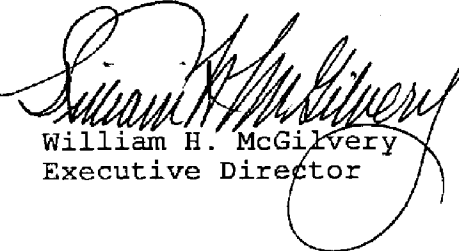
1. That Safai Management Company, Inc., trading as Para-Med Wheelchair Transportation, shall publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, notice in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission, no later than Monday, March 23, 1992.

2. That Safai Management Company, Inc., trading as Para-Med Wheelchair Transportation, shall file with the Commission, no later than Monday, April 13, 1992 an original and four copies of an affidavit that notice has been published as required in the preceding paragraph.

3. That any person wanting to protest the issuance of a Certificate of Authority to Safai Management Company, Inc., trading as Para-Med Wheelchair Transportation, shall do so in accordance with Commission Rule No. 13 and Regulation No. 54-04(a), and any person wanting to comment on this matter, other than by protest, shall do so in writing, in accordance with Regulation No. 54-04(a), by filing such protest or comment at the office of the Commission, 1828 L Street, N.W., Suite 703, Washington, DC 20036-5104, no later than Monday, April 13, 1992, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest or comment on applicant's representative, Mr. Tejav Safai, Vice-President, Director of Operations, SMCI, 9532 Emory Grove Road, Gaithersburg, MD 20877.

4. That any person seeking a formal oral hearing on this matter shall request one in accordance with Commission Regulation No. 54-04(b) no later than Monday, April 13, 1992, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such request on applicant's representative, Mr. Tejav Safai, Vice-President, Director of Operations, SMCI, 9532 Emory Grove Road, Gaithersburg, MD 20877.

FOR THE COMMISSION:



William H. McGilvery
Executive Director